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Additional comments, if any, on the relevance of each reference listed are provided as follows:

Full translations of the German patent applications are not available, but it is noted that they are listed as being equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 6,195,835 and published U.S. Patent Application Pub. No. 2002/0062531, both cited herein.

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